Vacancies of SC/STs in different Ministries

1353. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether steps have been taken by Government to fill up the vacancies against the posts reserved for SC and ST candidates in different Ministries;

(b) if so, the details of the SC/ST welfare associations engaged and liaison officers appointed to assist Government to take steps in the above direction; and

(c) what other steps are being taken to clear the backlog and to ensure proper implementation of the reservation policy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (BANKING, REVENUE AND INSURANCE) (SHRI KADAMBUR M.R. JANARTHA-NAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) SC/ST Welfare Associations and the Liaison Officers are not engaged/ appointed to fill up reserved posts. However, the Liaison Officers are expected to conduct annual inspection of the rosters maintained in the Ministry/ Department/Offices under the control of the Ministry/Department with a view to ensuring proper implementation of the reservation orders.

(c) Instructions already exist which provide for ban on dereservation of reserved vanancies in direct recruitment, temporary diversion of unfilled reserved vacancies in promotion quota to direct recruitment quota and extending zone of consideration for promotion. In addition instructions have also been issued from time to time emphasising the need to ensure timely filling up of the posts by making second attempt for recruitment, if the first attempt to effect recruitment fails.

Officers of All India Services on Deputation

1354. SHRI S.M. KRISHNA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the maximum period for which an officer of All India Services is allowed on deputation to autonomous organisations and public sector undertakings;

(b) whether Government are aware that officers have stayed on deputations for more than five years in some such organisations; if so, the reasons for allowing them to continue;

(c) whether Government have prepared a list of such officers; if so the details thereof, organisation-wise; and

(d) by when these officers would be repatriated back to their parent cadres?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (BANKING, REVENUE AND INSURANCE) (SHRI KADAMBUR M.R. JANARTHA-NAN): (a) Normally appointments to Board level positions in Public Sector Undertakings are made on immediate absorption basis. However in respect of the posts exempted from the rule of immediate absorption, the appointments of officers of the Organised Services are made on deputation basis. Officers so appointed on deputation basis are generally allowed a tenure of five years. In respect of autonomous bodies, the tenure would depend upon the Recruitment Rule for the post. Where there is no Recruitment Rule and the appointment is made under the Central Staffing Scheme, the tenure prescribed under the said Scheme would apply.

(b) to (d) Yes, Sir. There are four such cases at present as the following IAS Officers holding Board/equivalent level positions in autonomous bodies are continuing beyond five years tenure:—

(t) The present Chairman Cochin Port Trust completed his 5 years tenure